

Update-Suspect Arrested

Troopers Investigating Blades Homicide- Blades

Blades- Delaware State Police Homicide Unit has arrested a 16-year-old juvenile male of Millsboro, DE for Murder 1st degree and related charges following a homicide investigation in Blades.

On June 19, 2021, at approximately 10:49 p.m., Delaware State Police were dispatched to a shots fired complaint in the area of E. 4th Street, Blades. During the investigation, troopers discovered a 20-year-old male lying on the side of the roadway with an apparent gunshot wound. He was transported to an area hospital, where he was pronounced deceased.

Through investigative means detectives identified the suspect and obtained a warrant for his arrest. On December 30, 2021, troopers responded to the Ferris School, a secure facility where the suspect was currently being held. At the facility, the juvenile male was charged with Murder 1st Degree, Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony, Robbery 1st Degree, and Possession of a Firearm by Person Prohibited.

The juvenile male was arraigned in the Family Court and remained in the custody of The Division of Youth Rehabilitative Services on \$130,000 cash bond.

This case remains an active and ongoing investigation being conducted by the Delaware State Police Homicide Unit. Anyone with information should contact Detective M. Ryde by calling 302-741-2730. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppers.com>.

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If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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